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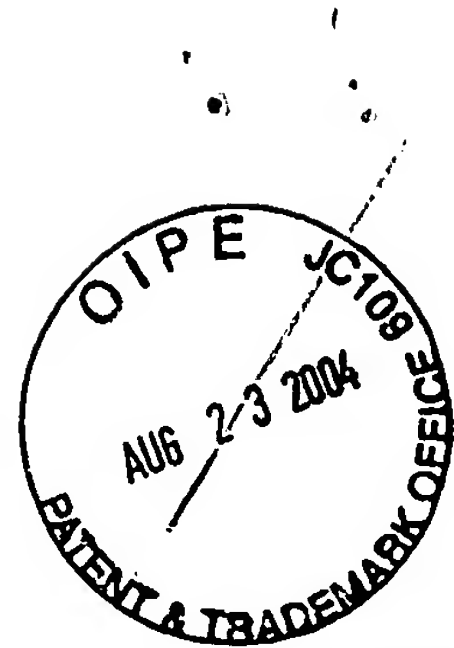
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AMENDMENT

In response to the office action mailed 7/28/2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the specification

Please amend page 6 line 13 after "air cooled" insert -utility --

This is not considered new matter and is meant to clear up any misunderstanding regarding the type of engines referred to in the specification. Antecedence can be found in the drawings and descriptions identifying the types of engines used in the prior art for portable outboard engines currently used for mud boat or shallow draft watercraft and described herein as being light weight, relatively low horsepower, and the like.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

- ~~1. A transom mounted, air cooled drive system for shallow draft marine watercraft comprising a vertical drive housing having an upper and a lower end and means for closely attaching an air cooled engine perpendicularly to said drive housing, said engine~~